State of Alaska FY2004 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Corrections
Parole Board
Component Budget Summary

Component: Parole Board

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Component Mission

The mission of the Parole Board is to administer the release of eligible correctional inmates while providing for public safety and for the successful integration of parolees into the community.

Component Services Provided

The Parole Board conducts discretionary parole release hearings, preliminary revocation and rescission hearings, final revocation hearings, sets conditions of release on all parolees, considers appeals and requests for reconsideration, holds special medical parole hearings, and issues parole arrest warrants and subpoenas. The staff trains parole officers and new Board members, advises the Board and the department's parole officers on matters related to the parole and supervision of prisoners, monitors mandatory release parole conditions, conducts executive clemency investigations for the Governor, and assures the legal conduct of the Board's responsibilities.

Component Goals and Strategies

The goals and strategy of the Parole Board are:

- > To conduct parole release and parole revocation hearings on mandatory and discretionary parolees as required by state statute.
- > To protect the public by focusing on risk and by making careful, just, and equitable decisions.
- > To use the department and community resources as a bridge to help parolees become contributing members of society.
- To set realistic parole conditions and to return to prison those who show they will not be law-abiding.
- > To complete thorough investigations on executive clemency applicants for the Governor.

Key Component Issues for FY2003 – 2004

- ➤ Increased number of parole applicants and hearings (including revocation hearings) requires almost full-time commitment for Board members. This subsequently results in workload escalation for support staff.
- > The need for continued education of board members and department staff on recidivism factors.
- > Limited treatment options, especially in rural Alaska, impact parole decisions of the Board.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2002

Conducted increased number of hearings while maintaining integrity of the decision-making process and protection of the public.

- ➤ Provided ongoing training: developed training materials for Parole Officers, and provided direct training that has resulted in greater consistency statewide in procedures relating to Parole Board hearings and equity for all parolees.
- > Granting of parole to incarcerated inmates has assisted in reducing prison populations.
- Assisted in rehabilitation of parolees through the parole conditions process and allowing access to treatment and education programs as needed.
- ➤ By strictly adhering to statutory and regulatory requirements, the Board has maintained integrity of its decisions and limited the potential legal liabilities for the state.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

- 1) Constitution (Article 3, Section 21)
- 2) Probation, Prisons and Prisoners (AS 33)
- 3) Welfare, Social Services and Institutions (AS 47)

- 4) Parole Board (22 AAC)
 5) Health and Safety (AS 18)
 6) Criminal Law (AS 11)
 7) Public Finance (AS 37)
 8) State Government (AS 44)

Parole Board Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2002 Actuals	FY2003 Authorized	FY2004 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	307.5	339.1	347.0
72000 Travel	51.9	49.1	49.1
73000 Contractual	105.0	88.3	126.0
74000 Supplies	6.2	4.7	4.7
75000 Equipment	5.2	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	475.8	481.2	526.8
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	475.8	481.2	526.8
Funding Totals	475.8	481.2	526.8

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Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2004

No service changes.

Summary of Component Budget Changes

From FY2003 Authorized to FY2004 Governor

All dollars in thousand					
	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	<u>Total Funds</u>	
FY2003 Authorized	481.2	0.0	0.0	481.2	
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:					
-ADN#20-3-0019 - White Bison/Parole Board	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	
-\$75 per Month Health Insurance Increase for Non-covered Staff	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.9	
Proposed budget decreases:					
-GF Across the Board Contractual Reduction	-5.3	0.0	0.0	-5.3	
FY2004 Governor	526.8	0.0	0.0	526.8	

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Personal Services Information

	Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs	
	FY2003	FY2004		
	Authorized	Governor	Annual Salaries	258,270
Full-time	5	5	Premium Pay	0
Part-time	0	0	Annual Benefits	92,383
Nonpermanent	0	0	Less 1.33% Vacancy Factor	(4,653)
•			Lump Sum Premium Pay	1,000
Totals	5	5	Total Personal Services	347,000

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk III	1	0	0	0	1
Adult Probation Off II	0	0	1	0	1
Adult Probation Off III	1	0	0	0	1
Exec Dir AK Bd Parole	0	0	1	0	1
Secretary	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	2	0	3	0	5